

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Duane Ankney, on April 16, 2013 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)
Rep. Steve Gibson, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Nancy Ballance (R)
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Dave Hagstrom (R)
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)
Rep. Lea Whitford (D)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Ron Ehli (R)
Rep. Kelly McCarthy (D)
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lisa Adams, Committee Secretary
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 173, 4/15/2013; SB 240, 4/15/2013; SB 280, 4/15/2013
Executive Action: SB 173; SB 240; SB 280; SB 226

00:07:50 Chair Ankney
00:08:47 Rep. McCarthy arrived.
00:09:13 Rep. Hollenbaugh arrived.

HEARING ON SB 173

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:09:19 Sen. Jim Keane (D), SD 38, opened the hearing on SB 173, Generally revising state workers' compensation insurance fund laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:10:47 Dan Villa, Director, Office of Budget Program and Planning (OBPP)

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00:12:05 Rep. Ehli arrived.

Opponents' Testimony:

00:13:10 Nancy Butler, General Counsel, Montana State Fund (MSF)

00:15:43 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana

00:16:46 Aimee Grmoljez, Montana Bankers Association

00:17:24 John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau Federation and Montana Stockgrowers Association

00:18:17 Glenn Oppel, Montana Chamber of Commerce

Informational Testimony:

00:18:36 Kris Wilkinson, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:18:53 Rep. Ballance

00:19:39 Ms. Wilkinson, LFD

00:20:00 Rep. Ballance

00:20:12 Ms. Wilkinson, LFD

00:20:59 Rep. Ballance

00:21:27 Ms. Wilkinson, LFD

00:21:58 Rep. Ballance

00:22:06 Rep. Noonan arrived.

00:22:13 Ms. Wilkinson, LFD

00:22:30 Ms. Butler, MSF

00:22:54 Rep. Ballance

00:23:08 Ms. Butler, MSF

00:23:41 Rep. Cook

00:23:57 Ms. Wilkinson, LFD

00:24:07 Rep. Cook

00:24:15 Ms. Wilkinson, LFD

00:24:17 Rep. Cook

00:24:54 Ms. Butler, MSF

00:25:13 Rep. Cook

00:25:22 Ms. Butler, MSF

00:25:40 Rep. Cook

00:25:46 Rep. McCarthy

00:26:11 Chair Ankney

00:26:14 Rep. McCarthy
00:26:27 Rep. Brodehl
00:26:59 Sen. Keane
00:27:42 Rep. Brodehl
00:27:59 Sen. Keane

Closing by Sponsor:

00:28:34 Sen. Keane

HEARING ON SB 240

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:30:02 Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SB 240, Revise taxation of pollution control equipment.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:31:15 Aimee Grmoljez, Ashgrove Cement Company and Cenex Refineries
00:32:55 Dave Galt, Executive Director, Montana Petroleum Association
00:33:29 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Taxpayers Association
00:33:54 Glenn Oppel, Montana Chamber of Commerce

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:34:22 Rep. Woods
00:34:46 Sen. Tutvedt

Closing by Sponsor:

00:35:39 Sen. Tutvedt

00:36:28 Recessed.

00:46:59 Reconvened with everyone present.

HEARING ON SB 280

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:47:28 Sen. Fred Thomas (R), SD 45, opened the hearing on SB 280, Allow mediation for dispute of property valuation.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:52:01 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Taxpayers Association (MTA)

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00:54:33 Mike Kadas, Director, Department of Revenue (DOR)
00:57:11 Dave Galt, Executive Director, Montana Petroleum Association
00:57:52 Maureen Connor, Montana Association of Counties (MACo) and Montana County Association of Treasurers

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:58:42 Rep. Hollandsworth
00:59:17 Ms. Schlepp, MTA
01:00:01 Rep. Ballance
01:00:41 Dir. Kadas, DOR
01:01:11 Rep. Ballance
01:01:21 Dir. Kadas, DOR
01:01:35 Rep. Ballance
01:01:54 Rep. Cuffe left.
01:02:02 Dir. Kadas, DOR
01:02:33 Rep. Glimm
01:03:08 Dir. Kadas, DOR
01:03:20 Rep. Glimm

Closing by Sponsor:

01:03:41 Sen. Thomas

01:06:15 Recessed.
01:24:17 Reconvened with everyone present.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 173

01:24:32 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **SB 173 BE CONCURRED IN.**

01:24:43 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Cook made a substitute motion that **SB 173 BE CONCEPTUALLY AMENDED TO CHANGE PAGE 6, LINE 28 AND CHANGE 39.6 MILLION TO 28.7 MILLION.**

Discussion:

01:25:29 Rep. Cuffe
01:25:47 Rep. Ballance
01:26:19 Rep. Cook
01:26:47 Rep. McCarthy
01:28:05 Rep. Cook
01:30:07 Rep. Hollandsworth
01:30:36 Rep. Ballance

01:30:57 **Vote:** Motion carried 13-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Ballance, Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Cuffe, Rep. Edmunds, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hagstrom, Rep. Jones and Rep. Osmundson voting no.

01:31:57 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **SB 173 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 20-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Hagstrom voting no. Rep. Ankney will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 240

01:32:15 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **SB 240 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Ankney will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 280

01:33:28 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **SB 280 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Ankney will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 226

01:34:03 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved to **RECONSIDER THE MOTION** on **SB 226**.

Discussion:

01:34:38 Rep. Brodehl

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01:36:41 Rep. Gibson

01:37:15 Rep. Brodehl

01:37:48 Rep. Hollandsworth

01:39:06 Rep. Cuffe

01:39:37 Rep. Ballance

01:40:32 Rep. Osmundson

01:41:08 Rep. Edmunds

01:41:48 Rep. Hagstrom

01:42:06 **Vote:** Motion carried 20-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Hollandsworth voting no.

01:43:10 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **SB 280 BE CONCURRED IN**.

01:43:35 Rep. Brodehl **WITHDREW MOTION SB 280 BE CONCURRED IN**.

01:43:41 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Brodehl made a substitute motion that **SB 226 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

01:43:45 Rep. McCarthy

01:44:09 Rep. Brodehl

01:44:44 Rep. Hollandsworth

01:44:55 Rep. Brodehl

01:45:05 Chair Ankney

01:45:23 Rep. Glimm

01:45:53 Rep. Gibson

01:46:44 Rep. Cuffe

01:46:57 Chair Ankney

01:47:18 Rep. Whitford

01:47:54 Chair Ankney

01:48:17 Rep. Hollandsworth

01:48:40 Rep. Woods

01:48:53 **Vote:** Motion carried 17-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Hollandsworth,
Rep. Hollenbaugh and Rep. McCarthy voting no.

01:50:28 Rep. Ballance

01:50:45 Rep. Jones

01:50:56 Chair Ankney

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:51:57

Lisa Adams, Secretary

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